

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An image processing apparatus comprising:
receiving means for receiving image information;
storage means for storing the image information
received by said receiving means;
output means for outputting the image information
received by said receiving means;
discriminating means for discriminating among modes
used when the image information is output by said output
means; and
control means in which after the image information is
output by said output means in accordance with
discrimination by said discriminating means, said control
means performs control so that the image information output
by said output means is not stored in said storage means.
2. An image processing apparatus according to Claim 1,
wherein when said discriminating means discriminates a first
mode among said modes, said control means stores the image
information received by said receiving means in said storage
means and controls said output means to output the stored
image information, while when said discriminating means
discriminates a second mode among said modes, said control
means controls said output means to output the image

information received by said receiving means without storing the image information received by said receiving means in said storage means.

3. An image processing apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said output means outputs the image information stored in said storage means, and

wherein when a first mode among said modes is discriminated by said discriminating means, and the image information stored in said storage means is output, the image information stored in said storage means is set so as to be overwritten, while when a second mode among said modes is discriminated by said discriminating means, and the image information stored in said storage means is output, the image information stored in said storage means is erased.

4. An image processing apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said discriminating means discriminates among said modes when the image information output by said output means is to be charged or when the image information output by said output means is not to be charged.

5. An image processing apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said discriminating means discriminates among said modes, based on an instruction from an image-information

transmitter.

6. An image communication apparatus connectable to an image output apparatus, comprising:

determining means for determining whether or not an image to be transmitted to said image output apparatus is a specific image; and

transmitting means for transmitting the information of the image in a first format or a second format in accordance with the determination by said determining means.

7. An image communication apparatus according to Claim 6, wherein when said determining means has determined that the image to be transmitted to said image output apparatus is the specific image, said transmitting means transmits the information of the image in the form of a page description language, while when said determining means has determined that the image to be transmitted to said image output apparatus is not the specific image, said transmitting means transmits the information of the image in the form of bitmap data.

8. A method for controlling an image processing apparatus, comprising the steps of:

receiving image information;

storing the image information in storage;
outputting the image information received in the
receiving step;

discriminating among modes used when the image
information is output in the output step; and

controlling said image processing apparatus so that
after the image information is output in accordance with the
discrimination in the discriminating step, the image
information output in the output step is not stored in said
storage.

9. A method according to Claim 8, wherein when a first
mode among said modes is discriminated in the discriminating
step, the image information received in the receiving step
is stored in said storage, and the stored image information
is output in the output step, while a second mode among said
modes is discriminated, the image information received in
the receiving step is output in the output step without
being stored in said storage.

10. A method according to claim 8,

wherein the image information stored in said storage is
output in the output step, and

wherein when a first mode among said modes is
discriminated in the discriminating step, and the image

information stored in said storage is output, the image information stored in said storage is set in the control step so as to be overwritten, while when a second mode among said modes is discriminated in the discriminating step, and the image information stored in said storage is output, the image information stored in said storage is erased in the control step.

11. A method according to Claim 8, wherein the discriminating step discriminates among said modes when the image information output in the output step is to be charged or when the image information output in the output step is not to be charged.

12. A method according to Claim 8, wherein the discriminating step discriminates said modes, based on an instruction from an image-information transmitter.

13. A method for controlling an image processing apparatus connectable to an image output apparatus, said method comprising the steps of:

determining whether an image to be transmitted to said image output apparatus is a specific image; and

transmitting the information of the image in a format among a first format and a second format in accordance with

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14. A method according to Claim 13, wherein when the determining step has determined that the image to be transmitted to said image output apparatus is the specific image, the information of the image is transmitted in the form of a page description language in the transmitting step, while when the determining step has determined that the image to be transmitted to said image output apparatus is not the specific image, the information of the image is transmitted in the form of bitmap data in the transmitting step.